

# **Pride Month Lecture**



# Pride Month Lecture- "A Night in Peterborough" by Professor Lisa Crooms-Robinson

Alexandria History Museum at the Lyceum June 30 Doors open at 6:30 p.m./Lecture starts at 7 p.m. \$10 in person, \$6 per zoom link Tickets available <a href="here.">here.</a> Join Historic Alexandria as we celebrate Pride Month this June. Lisa Crooms-Robinson, Professor of Law at the Howard University School of Law, lectures on the 1954 MacDowell Colony fellows, including Pauli Murray and James Baldwin as the Colony's first two Black artists. Murray was at MacDowell to finish her family autobiography, "Proud Shoes." Baldwin was there to complete "Giovanni's Room." Her lecture uses the photo above, the two books, and additional writings from both to imagine a conversation between Murray and Baldwin about the May 1954 Brown v. Board of Education decision and larger issues of equality, identity, and citizenship. Professor Crooms-Robinson teaches Constitutional Law, Gender and the Law, International Human Rights Law, Supreme Court Jurisprudence, and a course, "Equality According to Pauli." She is an internationally recognized scholar of race, gender, and human rights.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Lecture-Charlie Clark on George Washington Parke Custis**

(In conjunction with the Alexandria Historical Society Annual Meeting)
Alexandria's History Museum at the Lyceum
June 22
7-8:30 p.m.
Free

Charlie Clark, a retired journalist, has just published the first full biography of George Washington Parke Custis, an under-sung "child of Mount Vernon," with McFarland Books. A native of Arlington, Va., he continues to write the weekly "Our Man in Arlington" column for the Falls Church News-Press. Hehas written three other books: Arlington County Chronicles, Hidden History of Arlington County, and Lost Arlington County, all published by The History Press. In July 2019, he retired as s8:30enior correspondent for Government Executive Media Group, part of Atlantic Media. He previously has worked as an editor or writer for The Washington Post, Congressional Quarterly, National Journal, Time Life Books, Tax Analysts and the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges. He lives in Arlington with his wife Ellen.

The event is free. Memberships in the Alexandria Historical Society, a non-profit organization established exclusively for educational purposes, can be purchased at the event.

The program, which includes a brief annual meeting of the Alexandria Historical Society, begins at 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30.

To obtain more information or to request a reasonable disability accommodation, email framwbromberg@gmail.com.

Presented by the Alexandria Historical Society. Light refreshments will be served.

#### **Junior Docent Tours**

Gadsby's Tavern Museum Sundays through Labor Day weekend 2-5 p.m. Regular admission

Gadsby's Tavern Museum's Junior Docent Program is back with an exciting new offering this summer thanks to AMERICAN HERITAGE® Chocolate! Every Sunday, June 19 through Labor Day weekend, from 2-5 p.m. guests can meet Junior Docents who will be stationed throughout the tavern. They will be sharing the history of the early America and the tavern, but also the history of chocolate! This includes a hands-on demonstration of historic chocolate making in the Ballroom. Visitors from past years have found the students' unique perspective and enthusiasm for history an "exciting treat" that brings a "fun element" to the tour.

Regular admission is charged; City of Alexandria Residents are free.

#### **Trivia Night at Historic Sites**

Lee-Fendall House & Gardens
June 24, July 8 & 22, and August 5 & 19
7 - 9 p.m.
\$8, Tickets available here.

Staff members at Carlyle House Historic Park and the Lee-Fendall House Museum combine their knowledge to create bi-weekly trivia nights throughout the summer in the beautiful gardens of the Lee-Fendall House. Test your knowledge on everything from pop culture to history.

Registration must be done in advance. Limited capacity so register early! Tickets are \$8 per person and include snacks and one complimentary drink. Additional drinks can be purchased at our bar. Teams are limited to 6 people, ages 21+ only.

Each trivia night will have a different theme. There will be weekly prizes for the winning team as well as a grand prize for the team that wins the most points over the entire summer!

Please note: Trivia nights will be canceled if there is inclement weather, ticket holders will be contacted about transferring or refunding their tickets.

Historic Alexandria receives City operational funding to support its mission; however, these resources do not cover the full scope of the department's strategic goals and

projects. Donations, special revenue, and grant funding help supplement staff, conservation work, and educational programs. <u>Please consider a donation today</u>.

# **Historic Alexandria Museum Hours**

Currently, the following City Museums are open to the public:

### **Alexandria Archaeology Museum**

Wednesdays–Fridays, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sundays, 1 – 5 p.m.

#### **Alexandria History Museum at The Lyceum**

Thursdays & Fridays, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sundays, 1 – 5 p.m.

#### **Fort Ward Museum**

Thursdays & Fridays, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sundays 1 – 5 p.m.

#### Freedom House Museum

Thursdays & Fridays, 11 a.m. -4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. -5 p.m., Sundays & Mondays, 1-5 p.m.

### Friendship Firehouse Museum (July 16, August 20)

11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

#### Gadsby's Tavern Museum

Thursdays & Fridays, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sundays–Tuesdays, 1 – 5 p.m.

#### **Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum**

Wednesdays—Fridays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sundays & Mondays, 1 - 5 p.m.

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Due to the changing nature of the COVID-19 situation, we are providing updates on our website. For additional information about the City of Alexandria's actions, visit <a href="https://www.alexandriava.gov/Coronavirus">https://www.alexandriava.gov/Coronavirus</a>.

# THIS WEEK IN ALEXANDRIA'S HISTORY

On June 22, 1893, Alexandria police chief James F. Webster was concerned that bicycles had become such a popular mode of transportation that it was necessary to regulate those who operated them. He was especially concerned about the safety threat they posed at night.

# **UPCOMING COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE EVENTS**

June 21, HARC Meeting Freedom House Museum, 1315 Duke St. 7-9 p.m.

Virtual-June 21, Alexandria Sister Cities Committee Meeting Virtual, Link <u>here.</u> 7-8 p.m.

Virtual-June 27, ACRP Pilgrimage Meeting Virtual, Link <u>here.</u> 7-8 p.m.

June 27, Public Records Advisory Commission Meeting Archives and Record Center 7:30-9:30 p.m.

June 28, ACRP Steering Committee Meeting Lloyd House 4-5:30 p.m.

Virtual-June 30, ACRP Soil and Marker Committee Meeting Virtual, Link <u>here.</u> 7-8 p.m.